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SINO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT SIGNED IN NANKING

China To Receive US\$30,000,000 Worth Of Relief Supplies---Free Of Cost No Discrimination In Distribution

Nanking, Oct. 27. A Sino-American agreement which official sources said will cover approximately US\$30,000,000 worth of United States relief supplies to China was concluded today in a ceremony in the Foreign Affairs Building.

Liu Shih-hsun, Political Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, signed for China, while Ambassador Stuart signed for the United States.

An official Embassy release said the agreement, signed under the foreign relief programme of the United States, "illustrates once again the strong sentiments of mutual friendship and sympathy that animate the peoples of the two countries and is another indication of the continuing interest of the American people in the welfare of the Chinese people."

The volume or worth of the supplies was not stipulated but official sources estimated that China will receive (free of cost) approximately US\$30,000,000 worth of food, medical supplies, processed and unprocessed material for clothing, fertilizers, fuel and seeds.

Under the agreement, U.S. Government agencies will provide the procurement, storage

and transportation to China of relief supplies while the Chinese Government and voluntary agencies will be charged with the task of distribution to all classes of Chinese people "without discrimination as to race, creed or political belief."

American representatives have direct supervision and control of such supplies. The American Government reserves the right to terminate relief shipments to China if it considers "an excessive amount of relief supplies or similar supplies produced locally or imported from outside sources is being used for the maintenance of the armed forces of China."

Price Controls

The Chinese Government may use the supplies to improve consumption of price controls, but the American Government undertakes no responsibility for the success of such programmes.

American representatives and the property relief mission will enjoy in China the same privileges and immunities enjoyed by Embassy personnel. The Chinese Government will permit representatives of the American press and radio to "observe freely and report fully without censorship regarding distribution and utilization."

The document, which is effective from October 27, is entitled: "Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of China concerning United States relief and assistance to the Chinese people."—Associated Press.

H.K. Chinese May Vote By Mail

Shanghai, Oct. 27. The voting procedure for Chinese in Hong Kong in the forthcoming National Assembly elections is not certain but they may vote by mail, Government sources indicated today, discounting earlier reports that they might vote in Kowloon City.

An agreement was reported to have been reached in the Philippines, where there are 600,000 Chinese, between the Philippine Foreign Minister and the Chinese Minister.

Central News reported that preparations are proceeding smoothly in Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea, Fiji and the Samoan Islands with nearly 10,000 Chinese registered in this area.—United Press.

Heavy Fighting To North Of Mukden

Nanking, Oct. 27. Peipiao, northwest of Mukden, is the scene of heavy fighting as the Communists make repeated attacks on this important coal-mining centre. According to the Central News Agency, the Nationalists are still defending the city against heavy Communist artillery.

The Communists have launched over 10 heavy attacks and are now besieging the city.

According to this same source, the Nationalists have inflicted over 5,000 casualties in Kirin, in the Changchun area. A full line of heavy fighting which has been raging in this sector for the past week.

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Not His Lucky Star

Shanghai, Oct. 27. A prominent fortune-teller, Chou Tien-shan, was detained today by the police because he failed to commit the stars about his own future.

The police raided Chou's home and found him smoking opium, they announced.—United Press.

34 DIE IN AIR CRASH

Athens, Oct. 27. Greek Air Force Hqs. announced today that a Swedish Airlines (ABA) "Skymaster" transport, carrying 34 passengers, crashed into a 3,000-foot-high peak of the Hometos mountain range south-east of Athens on Sunday night.

Wreckage of the plane was located this morning by a Greek Army plane. The pilot of the Greek plane said he could see only one person moving near the wreckage and believed the figure was that of a shepherd. It was feared that all in the plane were killed.

It was in a regular flight from Istanbul to Rome and was scheduled to land at Athens airport for a one-hour stopover. The last message from the plane reported it was 25 minutes out of 9,000 feet and coming in for a landing. A heavy thunder storm was raging at the time of the crash.—Associated Press.

Juncau, Oct. 27. A Pan-American Airways DC-3 transport, with 13 passengers and a crew of five, is overdue after an Alaskan storm on Sunday night. An extensive aerial and surface search was immediately instituted for the missing craft.

It was originally reported that 12 passengers were aboard the transport but it was later learned that an infant child was among the passengers.

Company officials said Capt. Monsen, the pilot, had been flying the Alaskan route since 1930 and was one of the most experienced pilots working for Pan-American.

Three Coast Guard cutters have been dispatched from Alaska bases to assist in the water search for the transport. Commercial and fishing vessels and other private water craft are spreading to the scene from various points in nearby Alaskan waters.—United Press.

PRECAUTIONS ON THE BORDER

Precautionary measures were taken by the authorities along the Kowloon-Kwangtung border on Sunday and yesterday following the raid by armed men on a Chinese Customs outpost and two outlying Customs camps on Saturday night.

A close scrutiny of all persons crossing from the Chinese side was kept. Suspicious characters were searched particularly in the Man To area where the incident occurred.

Reports from the border last night claimed that the armed men belonged to the Communist East River Column (supposedly dissolved almost a year ago following the transportation of the Kwangtung Communist forces to North China by UNRRA).

Terrorist To Die At Dawn

At dawn today, the leader of an organisation which terrorised local hotels, restaurants and theatres by demanding money under threats of violence, is scheduled to go to the gallows to pay the law's supreme penalty.

One of the threats was carried out in the Kowloon Opera House on March 1, resulting in the death of an 11-year-old girl, Li Yuk-ling.

The terrorist leader, Tse Kwok-wah, was found guilty of murder on August 7 at the Criminal Sessions. His appeal against the death sentence was dismissed on Oct. 8.

CHINA'S DISEASE: CIVIL WAR

Nanking, Oct. 27. "China must remove the disease of civil war," for the strong purpose of bringing the national issue to a satisfactory end, Mr. Wilfred Roberts, a member of the British Parliamentary Mission, told a press conference in Taipei, capital of Formosa, last night.

He said the Communist rebellion should be ended "through a compromise" and should not be suppressed by "military force."

Mr. Roberts asserted that the Chinese Communist problem already had become an "international question."

"The Communist war is a very serious matter to the future of China and should be brought to a satisfactory conclusion," Mr. Martin Lindsay, a Conservative Member of the Mission said.

Lord Ammon reiterated that the Mission was a "goodwill mission" to China, and had no intention of telling the Chinese how to run their affairs. Britain, he said, was greatly anxious "to see China and Britain trading again."

Insufficient Ships. Recognising the fact that "China has not sufficient ships" to receive Sino-British trade and that "Britain has experience" in operating shipping services, was another factor, said Lord Ammon.

Lord Ammon expressed the conviction that Britain would overcome her present economic crisis through hard work, discipline with luxuries, and the determination to win through. Britain, he concluded, is "setting the pace in rehabilitation in Europe."—Reuter-AAP.

Nanking, Oct. 27. Dr. W. W. Yen, veteran Chinese diplomat and a former Ambassador to the United States, has been appointed a member of the State Council, according to a Government decree issued today.—Reuter-AAP.

A Policeman's Lot

It is with genuine pleasure that the "China Mail" reports the receipt yesterday of three donations totalling \$120. On Sunday, this journal reported the tragedy of Police Constable Yu Sheung, who served the Police faithfully and well for 12 years, and who is now dying in a hospital of tuberculosis.

For his services he receives the paltry pension of \$8.62 a month, with a gratuity of \$368 which has yet to come. As a result, he is unable to afford the necessary serums to make his last days as comfortable as they could be, and has to make do with out-dated Government penicillin which has been "liable to lose effectiveness" ever since March.

Government has taken shelter behind regulations which do not cover HCL allowance to employees invalided out at the point of death, nor do they permit the payment of pensions on any scale other than that prevailing before the war.

The people of Hong Kong have been more generous than their Government. Three donations were received yesterday, two for \$10 and one for \$100. These were all the more welcome as they were unsolicited, this journal having merely printed the facts and left the people of this Colony and their Government to their consciences. The money will be forwarded to PC Yu Sheung without delay.

Ration Rice Price

From Tuesday, Nov. 4, until further notice the retail price of rationed rice will be 48 cents per catty.

The price, which had been 44 cents from March 9 until May 18, was reduced at that date to 40 cents.

The present increase is due to the rise of 27 cents in the average price of Siam rice which took effect from the beginning of September, and to the receipt of several consignments of very expensive Egyptian rice.

After the liner had docked from Capetown, the door and bed-clothes of Cabin 120 were played by with the British boxer, Eric Boon, in "Golden Boy" in Johannesburg.

Miss Gibson was returning home from South Africa after playing with the British boxer, Eric Boon, in "Golden Boy" in Johannesburg. She vanished from her cabin during the night of October 17-18 after attending a ship's dance.

The police have asked constabularies, shipping and aircraft in the area between Monrovia and Cape Verde to keep a look-out for a body of clothing—Reuter.

Village Elders To Be Responsible

Canton, Oct. 27. As a means to curb banditry on the eastern outskirts of Canton, village elders are now held responsible for the conduct of their fellow villagers.

The bandits who kidnapped an instructor and a student of Sun Yat-sen University some time ago released them after ransom had been paid. The instructor, Liu Fayoh (Lau Fat-yip), was freed after paying H.K.\$5,000. The student, Chow Yau-pang (Chow Yaw-pang), was released on payment of C.N.\$3,000,000 "as room and board for 22 days."

Chung Shao, 21, one of the brigand chieftains in Hain Chuen, five miles east of Canton, was cornered and killed by police on the morning of Oct. 21 after a running battle. His wife, a woman friend and male companion were captured.

Chinese newspapers published daily reports of river bandits pirating tow-boats, diesel-engined craft and other vessels or exacting toll from them. The gangsters are operating mostly on the West River and East River.

The press officer of the 92nd Brigade said that a company of his unit is engaged in cleaning up the bandits in Wuchang.

The Weather

The moderate anticyclone over N. China is extending S with a fresh onset of the monsoon over the Yellow and the Eastern Seas. Pressure is also high to the E of Hokkaido and a depression is moving NE across Manchuria.

Today's Forecast—Moderate E. winds, freshening later from NE; fair at first, becoming cloudy and cooler.

De Gaulle Accuses Ramadier Govt. Demands Dissolution Of Assembly

Paris, Oct. 27. General Charles De Gaulle today accused Premier Ramadier's government of holding power illegally. He demanded the immediate dissolution of the Assembly.

Breaking his eight-day silence, Gen. De Gaulle demanded that the dissolution of the Assembly be followed by new parliamentary elections.

De Gaulle's demand followed an apparent victory for Ramadier's Socialists in yesterday's runoff in the municipal elections, which were marred by clashes between disgruntled Communists and supporters of De Gaulle's Rally of the French People.

Tabulations at 6 a.m. showed the Socialists leading in both races for municipal seats and the mayoralties. Of the 37,546 seats decided, the Socialists won 7,104. De Gaulle's Rally won 3,214. Communists 2,880 and Popular Minister Bidault's Popular Republican Movement 1,461. The other seats were scattered among combined groups of both the Left and Right.

In the mayoralty race, the Socialists elected 316, Communists 148, Rally 94, Popular Republicans 83 and Left Republicans 144.

The elections were not viewed as an indication of an anti-Gaullist swing as the Rally did not run candidates in many communities. The Socialists, co-operating with the Rally, gained strength at the expense of the Communists.

In a statement to the press, Gen. De Gaulle said: "The present public authority finds itself deprived of the confidence of the nation which is the legitimate base for power. These powers, in effect, stem from a combination established between parties which together represent but a small national minority."

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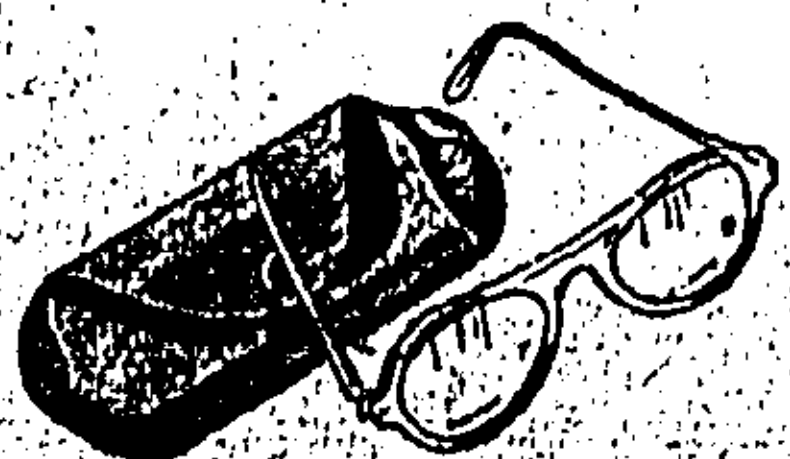
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Watch On Pyromaniacs

Boston, Oct. 27.
All suspected or convicted
pyromaniacs in Maine were
ordered today to be placed
under police "surveillance" as
all forest fires in New England
were reported to be under con-
trol.

A spokesman for Governor
Hannan Hildreth, of Maine,
said the Governor ordered the
Maine State Police and local
law enforcement agencies to
keep a close watch on the
activities of any "known or
suspected" arsonists.

The spokesman described
the move as a precautionary
measure in view of the fact
that a "danger still exists."—
United Press.

Personalia

The following arrived during
the weekend by the BOAC
Speedbird flying-boat from the
United Kingdom and Inter-
mediate ports: Messrs. Chung In-
choi, Chui Yuen-min, Yeung Yuen-
shue, P. Raymond, Kong Yuen,
Kwok Kim, F. J. Lovell, R. L.
Smith, M. S. Douglas, Bhay-
wandas, Professors, Pu Chung-
sun, Kuo Lung-chang, Long,
Miss S. A. Rodrique, Miss J. N.
C. Hamilton, Miss M. M. McNeil
and Mrs. F. M. McLeod.

Miss M. M. MacNeill, the
Governor's new private secre-
tary, arrived in Hong Kong on
Sunday by air.

Air Marshal Sir George Pirie,
KBE, CB, MC, DFC, Air Com-
mander-in-Chief, Far East, ac-
companied by Air Commodore
C. T. O'Neil, CBE, the Principal
Medical Officer, and Matron R.
M. Whyte, left for Singapore yes-
terday. Air Marshal Pirie is re-
turning to the U.K. in Novem-
ber, when he will be succeed-
ed by Air Marshal Sir Hugh Lloyd,
KBE, CB, MC, DFC.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals in-
clude Mrs. G. Drummond,
Comdr. and Mrs. E. T. Man-
ning, F. W. Bentham, Hans
Pedersen, K. A. Schaffer, Mr.
and Mrs. N. McRoberts, M. de
Vos, N. Soskin, F. H. Webb, G.
W. Kernot, Miss J. Hamilton,
L. R. Smith and F. J. Lovell.

Among Peninsula departures
are R. Canon, Mrs. M. M.
Louvina, D. J. M. Fraser, Mr.
and Mrs. G. B. Thomson, E. B.
Gummel, Mr. and Mrs. W. J.
Gibbs, L. A. Weston, Mrs. C. A.
Newcomb, E. A. Richards, A.
M. King, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gal-
loway and J. E. James.

Mr. John Murphy, barrister-
at-law, formerly Assistant
Crown Solicitor in Hong Kong,
has assumed the post of At-
torney-General in Gambia. In
the absence of Mr. Justice
Johnston, Mr. Murphy was
sworn in a week after his ar-
rival.

A report of a Commission, un-
der the chairmanship of Mr.
Butters (former Financial
Secretary, Hong Kong), which
has carried out a fiscal survey
of Nyasaland, has met with a
mixed reception, according to
the "Crown Colonist." It is sug-
gested that of its four recom-
mendations, two will keep capital
away and the other two will
increase still further the pre-
sent alarming migration of
Africans to Rhodesia and South
Africa.

Continuing his programme
of touring Government depart-
ments and public and private
institutions, the Governor, Sir
Alexander Grantham, accom-
panied by Lady Grantham, vis-
ited the Po Leung Kuk yes-
terday.

Miss Tai Ai-len, well-known
interpreter of Chinese folk
dances, is on her way to Hong
Kong from America, completing
a 12-month play in the United
States at the invitation of the
U.S. State Department. She is
accompanied by her husband,
Mr. Yeh Chen-yu, celebrated
Chinese painter and cartoonist.
Miss Tai gave many perfor-
mances in New York, Boston
and other big American cities, in
which she introduced Chinese
dancing art to the western
people.

WIDOW GETS HEAVY FINE

The maximum fine for a
second conviction was imposed
by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr on Yiu
Foon, 37, widow, when she
pleaded guilty to keeping 246
Temple Street, ground floor, as
a brothel on Oct. 26.

According to S/I Apps, the
place consisted of a hut built on
the ground floor of a partly-
demolished house and contained
four cubicles.

Two prostitutes found on the
premises with two European
males stated that out of every
\$20 they earned, defendant re-
ceived \$5 plus a commission of
10 per cent.

EVERYTHING ACCUSED SAID WAS A PACK OF LIES

Traitor To His Own Village

Found guilty by a jury on
three counts of being an access-
ory after the fact to robbery,
Man Hip alias Man Hip-kin
was yesterday sentenced by Mr.
Justice T. J. Gould (Addi-
tional Judge), to four years'
hard labour.

The case for the prosecution
was conducted by Mr. E. H.
Sainsbury, Assistant Crown
Solicitor, assisted by SI Mac-
Kenzie.

Accused was alleged to have
been a contact man who
brought robbers over the bor-
der to rob people in his own
village.

Addressing accused before
passing sentence, Mr. Justice
Gould said that it might be that
he was acting under the in-
fluence of fear or that he was
tempted by the gain of money.
He had been a traitor to his
own village, where he had lived
for 20 years, by leading gangs
from Chinese territory to rob
his own neighbours.

Mr. Sainsbury intimated that
information had been received
that the gang concerned had
been apprehended in Chinese
territory.

Ships Dressed In Honour Of U.S. Navy Day

All Royal Navy vessels
were dressed yesterday in
honour of American Navy Day,
Oct. 27, the only American
ship in port. In addition to
crossing ship, declared a holiday
for its officers and crew. Com-
manded by Lt. (jg) Elder,
LCI 989 has been in Hong Kong
four months. Its permanent base
is Tsingtao.

Navy Day, Oct. 27, was in-
augurated to commemorate the
birthday of Theodore Roosevelt,
founder of the American Navy.
During his administration the
Great White Navy made a good-
will round-the-world tour, the
first to be made by steam
vessels.

October is also the month in
which the first American Navy
was founded in 1775 by the
Continental Congress.

Reminders Today

Rotary Club Special Luncheon to
welcome the Governor and Lady
Grantham, Mr. and Mrs. S. K.
Guernsey, and other Honorary
Members, Roof Garden, 12.30 p.m.
Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Congo Club Annual Meeting, 6.30
p.m.
St. Andrew's Club Extraordinary
General Meeting, 8.30 p.m.
Lecture on "Verdi" by Very Rev. Fr.
Riganti, St. Andrew's Club, 5.30
p.m.

Coming Events

Oct. 30—Helen May Institute meet-
ing, 5.30 p.m.
Opening of Dah Sing Bank, Ltd.,
18, Queen's Road, C.
Oct. 31—Kowloon Cricket Club Meet-
ing, 6 p.m.
Police Force Parade, presentation
of medals by the Governor,
Happy Valley, 10 a.m.
Nov. 4—Inauguration of Portuguese
Institute, Clube Lusitano, 5 p.m.

BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT

Remanded from Saturday to
produce the man who had hired
him, Kan Shum, 29, appearing
before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida
charged with possession of
doubtful wine, was given the bene-
fit of the doubt and discharged.
Inspector Moran said that the
case appeared to be one of a
smuggler unloading wine off a
junk and employing a coolie to
carry it.

OPIUM DIVANS

Charged with being keeper of
divans in demolished houses in
the Shaokwan district, before
Mr. F. X. d'Almeida, at Central
yesterday, Ngai Kam Chuen, 22,
was fined \$700 or three months
and 10 smokers were each fined
\$25 or three days.

Tsang Cheung, 21, with a
previous conviction, was sen-
tenced to four months, while
three smokers who failed to
appear had their bail of \$25
each forfeited.

Chan Wa was fined \$400 or
two months while five smokers
were each fined \$25 or four days.

All registered nurses who are
not in Government service are
reminded that their names will
be excluded from the nurses re-
gister if the relation fee of \$2
is not paid before the end of
November.

Judge's Assurance To Girl In Rape Case

Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, yesterday as-
sured Ho Chau-ho alias Ho Lai-wah, com-
plainant in a rape case, that both he and mem-
bers of the jury believed that everything said
by the accused, Ng Yam alias Ng Tim, was a
pack of lies.

Ng, who was found guilty by a jury on charges of
larceny, demanding money with menaces, im-
personating a police officer and rape, was sen-
tenced by Sir Henry to ten years' imprison-
ment and 10 strokes of the cane.

The case for the prosecution
was conducted by Mr. A. J. Clif-
ford, assisted by DSI Downman.
In the course of his testimony,
Ng said at the Nam Lo Board-
ing House, Ho told him she had
a fiancé, whom she wanted him
to murder.

If he could not, she demand-
ed that he pay her \$2,000 to hire
someone else to do the job.
Ng said that he told Ho that
he could do neither.

According to Ng, Ho then said
that he should divorce his wife
and marry her.

Ng said that Ho took his
pocket-book and asked someone
to write something in it.
The notes related to the move-
ments of her fiancé, and gave
the times at which it would be
most convenient to assassinate
him.

Ng said that Ho also told him
that her betrothal had been ar-
ranged by her parents against
her will and that she was not
satisfied with the man.

"Trumped Up"

Ng said the rape charge was
trumped up and brought to seek
revenge because he had refused
to murder Ho's fiancé.

On the charges of larceny by
trick and demanding money
with menaces, Ng said that in
August he was smuggling cloth
from Fatsan to Hong Kong with
Shum Fat. Shum borrowed
CN\$100,000 from him, which
was not repaid. Ng said that he
did not see Shum again until
they met in Fu Yuen Street,
when he requested the latter to
repay him. He agreed to accept
\$150.

Shum went to get the money
and left the cloth as security. If
he did not return within 15
minutes, Ng was to take the
cloth and wait until Shum call-
ed for it.

He subsequently met Shum's
brother and the latter accused
him of stealing the cloth. A
police officer was called demand-
ing, according to Ng, a sum of
\$50 as "tea money" to accom-
pany him to his house to obtain
the cloth.

As they were entering the
Tung Hing Bakery he saw Shum
Fat. He drew the attention of
the policeman to this, but the
latter, who was off his own beat
and had demanded \$50 "tea
money" was between the devil
and the deep blue sea. He was
requested by the policeman to
chase Shum Fat.

As he did so, Shum's brother
had him arrested by another
policeman.
Cross-examined, Ng denied
that his only job was confidence
trickster. He was a Red Cross
Association worker.

Rotary President Entertained

International Rotary President Mr. S. Kendrick
Guernsey and Mrs. Guernsey, who arrived
here on Saturday from Bangkok as part of
their tour of Rotary clubs in the Far East, were
last night entertained at a reception given by
members of the Hong Kong Rotary Club in
the Ritz Restaurant.

Dr. F. I. Tseung, President of
Hong Kong Rotary, presented
Mr. Guernsey with the Hong
Kong Rotary flag, and Mrs.
Guernsey with a piece of ex-
quisite Chinese silk as a
memento of their visit.

Mr. Guernsey, who has
already travelled 31,000 miles
visiting different clubs in New
Zealand, Australia, Singapore
and Bangkok with Mrs.
Guernsey, will continue to
Manila, Hawaii, Los Angeles
and Chicago before returning to
his home in Florida, U.S.A. As
they are due to return to their
home on November 8th they will
not be able to visit the Rotary
club in Shanghai and Canton
as previously planned.

At the reception last night Mr.
Guernsey said he was looking
forward to a substantial growth
of Rotary in China. He urged
that it be the aim of local
Rotarians to try and establish a
Rotary Club in every community
in China, which could support
one and incorporate the finest
businessmen in that community
as members.

"I think," said Mr. Guernsey,
"that Rotary can do much for
China and China can do much
for Rotary. The Club in Hong
Kong has brought about many
close friendships and that is
what this and every Rotary
Club is based upon. I will take
back glowing reports of the
club."

Following Mr. Guernsey's re-
marks, Rotarians watched a floor
show of Hawaiian style dancing
and singing by Miss Nony
Cespedes.

Today's Tiffin

The Governor, Sir Alexander
Grantham, will be among the
honorary members to be wel-
comed at the Rotary Club's
special luncheon at 12.30 p.m.
today in the Roof Garden of the
Hong Kong Hotel.

Lady Grantham will be pre-
sent.

The opportunity will also be
taken to welcome International
Rotary President S. K. Guernsey
and Mrs. Guernsey. Mr. Guernsey
is on a goodwill tour of Rotary
Clubs.

PICKED WRONG POCKET

"You picked the wrong poc-
ket," said Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at
Central yesterday to Wong Sai,
19, of No. 8 First Street, sen-
tenced to two months' imprison-
ment for attempting to pick the
pocket of Sergeant-Major Chan
Yuen Ching of the Hong Kong
Police.

Defendant stated that he did
not take any money. There
was only paper in complainant's
pocket.

Bristol Motorists Protest

Bristol, Oct. 26.
Nearly 700 Gloucester-
shire motorists demon-
strated here today against the
abolition of the basic petrol
allowance.

All the cars carried pos-
ters, banners and slogans,
and the procession through
the streets was followed by
an open air meeting where
speakers urged a militant
movement to fight what
they described as a "threat
to private motoring."—Reu-
ter.

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**YOUNG BOY
KNOCKED DOWN**

An 11-year-old Chinese boy
was knocked down by an uniden-
tified private car, believed to be
a somewhat ancient Austin, near
the Netherdale Hospital in
Donham Road at about 8.30 p.m.
yesterday.

The driver took the boy home.
He was later removed to Queen
Mary Hospital with a fractured
clavicle.

No report was made by the
driver to the Police.

Broke Law In Front Of A Police Station

Mok Cheung picked the wrong
place to break the traffic rules
—just outside No. 7 police
station.

Mok collided with a tramcar,
failed to stop and was caught by
a police constable. Appearing
at Central yesterday, Mok was
fined \$125 by Mr. Conklin.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY FUND

Previously acknowledged \$22,130
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Thoresen & Co., Ltd. 25
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W. B. Leley & Co. (China) Ltd. 100
The Sincere Co. (Perfumes)
Manufacturers) Ltd. 20
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. 100

\$23,375

WEDDING GIFT FUND

Dr. & Mrs. Arthur Woo \$25, Mr. &
Mrs. V. A. Billon \$10. Grand Total
\$1,044.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Oversea Chinese Branch School
\$173.05. In Memory of deceased
members and NCOs of 4th Battery,
H.K.V.D.C. \$25. Total \$2,968,742.12.

A fine of \$250 was imposed
on Ip Chan by Mr. Conklin, at
Central, yesterday on a charge of
conveying fish without a permit.

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ASIAN SOCIAL SECURITY

Discussions Opening In New Delhi

Two H.K. Residents Attending

New Delhi, Oct. 26. Social security for millions of workers in Asian industry heads the agenda at the International Labour Organisation's first preparatory Asian regional conference, due to open tomorrow in the Constituent Assembly Hall in New Delhi.

Sir Guildhaume Myrddin-Evans, Deputy Secretary of the British Ministry of Labour and Chairman of the ILO governing body is leading the British delegation.

The conference, which has been described as the "Parliament of Asian Labour," is expected to last a fortnight, during which time over 200 delegates, advisers and observers from 12 Asian countries will discuss the best means of substituting reforms in response to the needs and aspirations of the continent's working classes.

An effort will be made to determine, at least in part, the International Labour Organisation's planning to meet Asian labour and social problems.

H.K. Present

Among Britain's 20 delegates are Mr. Will Lawther, President of the Mine Workers Union, and Mr. A. F. Papworth of the Transport and General Workers Union.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian Premier, will welcome the delegations on behalf of the

Indian Government and people.

Mr. Q. A. A. Macphayden, Hong Kong's Labour Officer, is attending the conference as an adviser to the U. K. delegation with Mr. C. E. Terry, manager of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown, as an observer nominated by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

SWISS TAKING NO CHANCES

Berne, Oct. 27. The Swiss Federal Council has been studying procedure for military mobilisation in the event of war.

The call to arms, to be issued to the nation's reserves generally, shall read "Immediately," or for a fixed date. In the latter case, the Council would fix the day.—Associated Press.

SAPPERS' ADVENTURE

Singapore, Oct. 27. On Dec. 28, a 17-ton Bermuda-type cutter will slip out of Singapore harbour bound for the United Kingdom. It will be skippered by her owner-designer, Major J. W. Bossard, of the Royal Engineers, and manned by an amateur crew of his brother officers.

Major Bossard hopes to complete the voyage in three months—his period of leave after six years in the Far East.—Reuter.

Jewish Leader Accused

JERUSALEM, OCT. 26. AFTER DAY OF SPOKE-CLASHES BETWEEN PAMPHLET SQUADS OF THE JEWISH TERRORIST ORGANISATION IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI AND THE JEWISH ILLEGAL DEFENCE FORCE HAGANAH, THE IRGUN TONIGHT ACCUSED DAVID BEN GUR-AN, CHAIRMAN OF THE JEWISH AGENCY EXECUTIVE, OF TRYING TO PRECIPITATE CIVIL WAR BETWEEN JEWS.

Accusing Ben Gurion of launching the Haganah in a strong-arm struggle against their 6,000 member army, the Irgun said: "We do not want to quarrel with the Haganah, but if Ben Gurion persists, we will start a fratricidal struggle."

The Irgun said that they had been forced to exchange shots with the Haganah in self-defence and would retaliate for every Haganah attack.—Reuter.

New G.O.C. Of B.A.O.R.

London, Oct. 27. Lt.-Gen. Sir Brian Horrocks, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command, is to succeed Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard L. McCreary as General Officer Commanding-in-Chief British Army of the Rhine, next April, the War Office announced tonight.

In June, General McCreary will become the British Army representative to the Military Staff Committee of Coordination.

General Horrocks is 52. During the war he was at Dunkirk and later held commands at Alamein and Tunisia.

He was wounded in North Africa but later directed the advance of a British Army Corps across Western Europe and helped to break the last German resistance.—Reuter.

TRUMAN APPEALS FOR D.P.'s

Washington, Oct. 27. President Truman today renewed his appeal for the admission of European displaced persons to the United States and hinted that anti-Semitism might be behind opposition to his policies on this matter.

Speaking extemporaneously when dedicating a memorial to Oscar Straus, famous Jewish statesman and Secretary of Commerce under President Theodore Roosevelt, Mr. Truman said, "I wish we could have the same tolerance today that we had in 1922, when the Straus family came to this country. We would have lost the services of this great man if we had followed the same programme then that we are following now."—United Press.

Soviet Manoeuvre In U.N.

New York, Oct. 27. The Soviet Union in effect is "withdrawing by stages" from the United Nations but will not formally forfeit its membership within the foreseeable future.

That is the consensus of many delegates and diplomatic observers who have followed the United Nations since the birth of the world organisation in San Francisco.

The considered opinion is that the Soviet will continue as long as possible to use the world forum as a sound board for ideas it wishes to disseminate. However, at the same time, the actuality is the Russians and satellites are refusing to participate in progressively more of the union's special labours.

This is coming to be known as "technique of boycott" which today sees the Russians and satellites refusing to have anything to do with at least four major United Nations projects, actual or impending, and also boycotting several important subsidiary activities.—United Press.

POLISH LEADER MAY BE IN ENGLAND

Warsaw, Oct. 27. Confirmation that Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, Polish Premier during the war and Chairman of the Polish Peasant Party, had gone abroad with three of his collaborators, their wives and a secretary, was forthcoming today from party officials.

The Government stated today that the enquiry into the whereabouts of M. Mikolajczyk would continue. It is rumoured he is in England, Switzerland or Denmark.

The names of those accompanying him abroad are given as Kazimierz Baginski, an outstanding Peasant Party leader, several times arrested in recent years; and the former deputies, M. Hryja, treasurer of the Party, and M. Kordunski.

M. Baginski was head of the Peasant Party's Information Department. He was arrested under the Pilsudski regime, and was later one of the 16 members of a Polish Mission visiting Russia arrested in May, 1945, on charges of "diversionary activity in the rear of the Red Army."

Sentenced by a Moscow court to a year's imprisonment, he was released in November, 1945. Arrested again in Poland in October, 1946, in connection with alleged activities against the interests of the Polish State, President Botsval Bierut ordered his release last July.

Soviet Man "Superior"

Moscow, Oct. 27. Great efforts are being made in the Soviet Union to keep its 193,000,000 citizens informed on all matters of Communist policy, both internal and external.

Party chiefs are supervising a tight educational structure aiming at enlightening the people on current national events and plans.

Each citizen must know why the Soviet man is superior to the man of the capitalist world, why culture in the capitalist world is vulgar and why the old world of capitalism and imperialism is doomed.

The spearhead of all organisations and propaganda work is the closely-knit Communist Party, with its organisations in factories, workshops, collective farms, offices and stores.—Reuter.

GOERING POISON WAS TRIED OUT ON NAZI PRISONERS

London, Oct. 26. The poison with which the Gestapo chief, Heinrich Himmler, and Luftwaffe chief, Hermann Goering, committed suicide was first tried out on Nazi prisoners at Sachsenhausen concentration camp, according to evidence given before a Soviet military tribunal in Berlin, the Moscow Radio reported today.

Quoting Tass despatches during the second and third days of the trial, which opened on Thursday, Moscow reported that August Hehn, former second chief of the camp, and one of the sixteen accused, admitted that he had made the tests.

"Hehn explained in detail that the new poison was colourless, and when mixed with water gave no reaction," the broadcast said.

The former camp doctor, Heinz Bauketter, another of the accused charged with complicity in the deaths of 100,000 Allied and German prisoners, gave evidence that on instructions from Himmler, prisoners were forced to bite capsules of potassium cyanide to determine the painfulness and bitterness of death.

Britons

He said that Himmler wanted to know "how one could end one's life with the least pain, so as to escape responsibility."

Kurt Eckerius, former chief warden, admitted having handed "about 600 persons" in specially constructed machines, designed to throttle them slowly.

He also admitted that he put

Princess' Country Home

London, Oct. 26. Princess Elizabeth and Lt. Philip Mountbatten have not yet made any final decision about their future country home.

It was reported yesterday, but not officially confirmed, that the Royal couple had decided upon Windlesham Moor, one of the most beautiful estates in Surrey.

The house, which is owned by Mrs. Warwick Bryant, widow of the late millionaire financier Philip Hill, is said to be for sale because she intends to leave for South Africa soon.

She also owned Sunninghill Park, two miles away. With 50 acres of ground, Windlesham Moor is considerably smaller than Sunninghill Park, with its 25 rooms and 770 acres—its first chosen home which was burned down last August.

Windlesham Moor has a miniature nine-hole golf course in the centre of gardens that are famous for their rhododendrons and herbaceous borders.—Reuter.

"Adultery Is Man's Destiny"

Berlin, Oct. 27. "Adultery no longer should be grounds for divorce," a leader of the Democratic Women's League, a Soviet-sponsored Socialist Unity Party organisation for German women in the Soviet zone, told women at a gathering in Ludwigsburg.

Declaring that "man biologically is destined" to adultery, the Joern added that "a faithful man either is a liar or an idiot."

At the same time the speaker demanded that sex morality in Germany should be put on a "new basis" just as "religion of the Middle Ages" should be abolished.—Associated Press.

CENTRE GAINS

Berne, Oct. 27. The Swiss Telegraph Agency said that, judging from incomplete returns from the Parliamentary election, "it appears that middle class parties are victorious."

The Liberal and Peasant Parties are regarded as representing the Centre. Should their present gains be confirmed, this would strengthen the anti-Socialist bloc in Parliament, which heretofore has elected most of the seven members of the Federal Council, chief executive authority of the Swiss Confederation.—Associated Press.



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Hong Kong Government

NOTICE

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opment and Welfare Scholar-
ships to enable them to acquire
the requisite qualifications for
these posts, where such qualifi-
cations are not obtainable
locally.

Candidates must be under 30
years of age and in possession
of a university degree or the
Hong Kong school leaving
certificate or a certificate re-
cognized as equivalent by the
Director of Education, Hong
Kong.

Applications for scholarships
must be on the prescribed forms
which are available on request
from the Chief Clerk, Colonial
Secretariat. When applying for
these forms, the candidate
should state the post in the
Government service for which he
is a candidate. Applications
will not be accepted after 15th
November, 1947.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Hong Kong, 25th Oct., 1947.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF Olive
Suzanna Jeffery, Nursing Sis-
ter, Medical Department, de-
ceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue of
section 58 of the Probate Or-
dinance, 1897, made an Order
fixing the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 18th day of November,
1947.

All creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send their claims to the under-
signed on or before that date.

Dated the 21st day of October,
1947.

H.A. de BARROS BOTELHO,
Official Administrator,
Courts of Justice,
Hong Kong.

THE FILIPINO CLUB

A General Meeting of Mem-
bers will be held at the Club
House on Sunday

2nd November, 1947
at 1.15 p.m.

AGENDA:—
1. The Report & Statement of
Accounts.
2. To amend some articles of
the Club.
3. Election of—Officers &
Members of Committee.
4. Any other business.

I. S. CASTRO,
Hon. Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft-Programmes and Entry
Forms for the Tenth Extra
Race Meeting to be held on
Saturday, 8th November 1947
(weather permitting) may be
obtained at the Secretary's
Office, Exchange Building; the
Club House, Happy Valley; and
the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock
noon on Thursday, 30th October
1947.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP
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EXTRAORDINARY OUTBURST

"Thank God That I Am Not A Democrat"

Thyssen To Be Tried

Hamburg, Oct. 27.
Fritz Thyssen, former Ger-
man industrial magnate, was
one of 30 Germans turned over
to German jurisdiction for trial
in a denazification court. Brig-
adier General Telford Taylor,
United States prosecutor, an-
nounced today.

General Taylor said that
several hundred Germans await-
ing trial would be transferred
by next summer, when it was
expected the Nuremberg trials
would end.

Six German prosecutors were
already studying the documents,
including the evidence concern-
ing Messerschmitt, builder of
the German fighter plane, and
200 leading Nazis charged with
persecuting Jews.

Thyssen, who is nearly 74,
was detained in the Austrian
Tyrol in 1945.

As President of the United
Steel Works of Essen, he was
an undisputed supporter of
Nazism before Hitler came to
power, but when war broke out
he fled to Switzerland.

Soon after the Germans issued
an international warrant for
his arrest.—Reuter.

RED NEWSPAPER ATTACKS MOVIES

Paris, Oct. 27.
The Communist newspaper
"Humanite", which on Friday
criticized American movies,
said today the Communist
Party would press for legisla-
tion to curb the appearance of
American comic strips in
French newspapers to protect
French youth from "the cor-
rupting influence of the Ameri-
can trust of mental intoxica-
tion."—Associated Press.

London, Oct. 26.
The King today approved the
appointment of Mr. Gilbert
Mackerrath as Ambassador to
Colombia. Mr. Mackerrath
succeeded Mr. Philip Mainwar-
ing Broadmead.—United Press.

GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

REMINDER

All registered nurses who are
not in Government service are re-
minded that their names will be
excluded from the nurses regis-
ter if the retention fee of \$2 is
not paid before the end of
November, 1947.

I. NEWTON,
Director of Medical Services.
Hong Kong, 27th October, 1947.

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 31 OF 1947

HONG KONG HARBOUR,
WRECK MARKING LIGHT.

POSITION:—194 degrees 4 cables
from Kowloon Railway Clock
Tower.

DETAILS:—The green flashing light
on the wreck in the above position
has been removed. The customary
wreck marking light will be
temporarily exhibited from the
Salvage vessel in attendance.

CHARTS AFFECTED:—EL10318,
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J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master.

Harbour Office,
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British Fascist Leader

London, Oct. 26.

High police officers and police short-hand writers
tonight listened to Jeffrey Hamm, policy
director of the British League of Ex-Servic-
emen declare: "Thank God I am a Fascist,"
when he spoke to nearly 600 people on Clap-
ham Common in South London.

Hamm, who was bound over recently on a charge
of using insulting words at a previous League
meeting, told his audience: "Thank God I am
not a democrat."

Police made a number of ar-
rests tonight at a clash between
rival political groups at Dalston,
East London—one of the
League's regular meeting places
—when members of the revo-
lutionary Communist Party
(Trotskyists) attempted to open
a meeting near the spot reserved
by supporters of the League.
Early on Saturday evening
representatives of each group
arrived at Ridley Road, Dalston,
to "stake their claim."

They came armed with
blankets, flanks and sandwiches
for an all-night wait.

Mosley

Later the revolutionary Com-
munist Party established a
platform in a nearby road.
Hamm said that Sir Oswald
Mosley, former leader of the
British Union of Fascists, would
soon address public meetings in
London.

He made this statement in an-
swer to a question after his de-
claration of "Thank God I am a
Fascist—thank God I am not a
Democrat."

One of the places at which
Hamm said that Sir Oswald
Mosley would speak was the
scene of the clash between rival
political parties tonight, when
Tom Tiley, organizer of the
Trotskyists, was among those
arrested.

"My Country"

Sir Oswald Mosley told Reu-
ter by telephone tonight that he
knew nothing of Hamm's state-
ment.

When asked if he meant to
return to politics, he replied: "I
am a publisher and simply de-
sire if possible to create and
spread my ideas expressed in
my recent book 'The Alternative'.
In the event of any great
crisis, I will do anything essen-
tial for my country England."—
Reuter.

RICHEST GIRL'S HUSBAND

Rome, Oct. 27.
Mr. Porfirio Rubirosa, hus-
band of the American tobacco
heiress, Doris Duke, was re-
sponsibly reported today to have
been named Dominican Ambassa-
dor to Argentina.
The couple arrived in Italy
last week and left Rome, this
morning for a short stay in
Naples. Mr. Rubirosa is flying
the heiress' private plane dur-
ing the Italian visit and said
he may fly it to South America.
—United Press.

ELIZABETH ON THE CLYDE

Clydebank, Oct. 26.
Last-minute preparations were
being made here to-day for next
Thursday's launching of the new
Gunard White Star 30,000-ton
liner Coronica by Princess Eliza-
beth, who will be accompanied by
Philip Mountbatten.
The Princess and her fiancé will
leave London on Wednesday evening
and will be received officially
by the Provost of Clydebank and
other officials before proceeding
to the shipyard for the ceremony.
—Reuter.

WAR DEAD BACK

New York, Oct. 27.
The United States Army
transport Joseph V. Connolly,
carrying the remains of the
first World War II dead to be
returned from European bat-
tlefields, docked here today.
Two destroyers escorted the
ship, which carried 6,200 bod-
ies. Flags were at half mast
on the waterfront to mark the
return home of the fallen as
the city began an official day
of mourning. — Associated
Press.

San Francisco, Oct. 27.
Chinese from all sections of the
United States participated in an
hour-long funeral ceremony for
Bing Shun-fong, 62-year-old Chi-
nese official mayor of San Francisco's
Chinatown, who died here on Oct.
10.—Associated Press.

Jerusalem, Oct. 27.
The body of a Jewish police-
man shot through the chest
was found last night on the high-
way north of Gaza.—Associated
Press.

Treason Trial In Rumania

Bucharest, Oct. 26.
The trial of Dr. Julius Maniu,
74-year-old leader of the ban-
ished Rumanian National Fea-
sant Party, and his associates,
which has been postponed twice
this month, will take place in a
few days, the Communist news-
paper, "Romania Libera," stated
today.

The paper said that the
charges will include conspiracy,
high treason and civil and mili-
tary rebellion.

Another expected charge not
mentioned by the paper is that
of asking for "foreign diploma-
tic and economic intervention."
Dr. Maniu, according to the
allegations in the recent press
campaign against him, was said
to have suggested to a foreign
newspaper correspondent that
intervention was the only possi-
ble solution of Rumania's
problems.—Reuter.

AUSTRIAN REDS FAIL IN UNIONS

Vienna, Oct. 27.
The first returns from the
Austrian Federation of Labour
plant representatives elections
conducted on strict Party lines
showed that the Socialists were
far in front.

Figures produced by Social-
ist Party headquarters, showed
that in the elections in 32
plants in Vienna for the selec-
tion of 114 representatives the
Socialists won 107 places
against seven for the Commu-
nists. The People's Party,
traditionally weak among
Vienna workers, has not yet
scored a single place.—United
Press.

Fierce Battle In North Greece

Moscow, Oct. 26.

The "Greek Democratic Army," guerrilla forces
under General Markos, claimed in a commu-
nique issued over their radio station and report-
ed here today, to have captured the key moun-
tain stronghold of Metsovo, in western Mace-
donia, not far from the northern frontier of
Greece.

The guerrillas opened an offensive
in Macedonia and Epirus in mid-
October on a broad front, and the
headquarters claimed that they had
succeeded in seizing control of the
main Ynina-Metsovo road.
The communique put the Greek
Government losses in the battle for
Metsovo at 80 killed, 60 wounded
and 30 prisoners, and in the three
days' subsequent fighting, when the
Government forces counter-attacked,
at 216 killed, 60 wounded and 40
prisoners, as well as large quantities
of equipment and material.
The Government had sent three
armoured brigades, artillery, tanks,
armoured cars and aircraft in large
numbers to relieve Metsovo, one of
the principal German objectives in
the opening phases of their invasion
of Greece, but the communique from
the Democratic Army headquarters
said that they had so far not broken
through and "the fight continues."

U.S. Officers?

Moscow radio today quoted a Tass
dispatch from Rome, asserting that
the United States had decided to
send American officers to Greece to
lead Greek government troops
against guerrilla forces. The dispatch
quoted the "radio of the Greek De-
mocratic Government," which in turn
quoted an "official announcement in
Athens."

The report said the American
Government had approved a sugges-
tion by the American Embassy that
United States Army officers should
direct the Greek Army's operations.
"This proposal resulted from a tour
of the country by the Chief of the
Intelligence Service of the United
States General Staff, and his visit to
all corps of the Government forces,"
Tass said.

The report said all units of Gov-
ernment forces "down to battalions,
will be headed by American officers."
—Reuter and Associated Press.

TRADE CONTROL

Athens, Oct. 27.
The Government's decree set-
ting foreign trade adminis-
tration to control all Greece's im-
ports and exports, was approved
to-day by the standing committee
of the Chamber of Deputies, which
has legislative power while Parlia-
ment is on vacation.
The decree, announced by Mr.
Themistocles Sophoulis, the Prime
Minister, on Oct. 15, sets up a
Board to control foreign trade
consisting of the Ministers of
Finance, Coordination of National
Economy, Supply and Agriculture,
the Governor of the Bank of
Greece and an American mem-
ber appointed by the Greek
Cabinet.—Reuter.

COTTON CROP

Washington, Oct. 27.
The Agriculture Department re-
ported today that estimates from
various producing countries indicate
this year's world cotton crop totalled
26,100,000 bales of 500 pounds gross
weight. This is 21 per cent more
than last year's exceptionally small
crop.

Nearly all the increase is account-
ed for by larger crops in the United
States and Russia, in the Northern
Hemisphere, and in Brazil, Argen-
tina and Peru in the Southern Hemis-
phere.
The United States crop is estimated
as 11,300,000 bales—an increase of
33 per cent over last year's small
crop.—Associated Press.

Calco, Oct. 26.

Tonight's communique issued
by the Egyptian Ministry of
Health, reported 490 deaths
from cholera and 880 new cases
during the last 24 hours.—Reu-
ter.

SCHOOLGIRL'S VIVID STORY OF VILLAGE MASS MURDER

Vienna, Oct. 27.

The Austrian police stated today that they were still
seeking the murderers who shot 11 members of
two Austrian families in their home village of
St. Peter, near Amstettin, in the Russian Zone
of Austria, on Friday night, but were unable to
give further details of the crime.

Military Detectives Accused

Berlin, Oct. 27.
The Soviet-licensed Berliner
Zeitung, digging up last
month's sensational Hohenzo-
lern jewel robbery, today asked
that the American authori-
ties who investigated the case
be given truth serum injections.

The newspaper recalled that
Prince Ferdinand von Schoe-
ruich-Carolath, step-son of the
late Kaiser, received such in-
jections. It recommended the
same treatment for the Ameri-
can investigators who, it said,
"are not in a position to dis-
close by their own power the
complete truth."

American statements that no
United States citizens were in-
volved in the multi-million dol-
lar jewel disappearance "do
not seem satisfactory," the pa-
per said.

In its truth serum request,
the Berliner Zeitung followed
other Russian-licensed papers,
which have suggested that
American Army detectives
were themselves connected with
the vanished gems.—United
Press.

Pipe In Month

The shoemaker still sat propped
against the wall near the table,
his pipe hanging from his half-opened
mouth.

His children, an 11-year-old girl
and a five-year-old boy, had been
doing their homework when they
were shot and their exercise books
lay open by their dead bodies.

The local people said they saw a
lorry containing several men pass
through the village in the direction
of the Esteria house, which lies 500
metres off the main street, going to-
ward the house at 7 in the evening
and returning at 10.

Two small children who hid under
the bedclothes and were the sole sur-
vivors from the two families, were
too terrified to give any information.
They were the Meyers' adopted sons.
All the victims were shot through
the head.—Reuter.

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2 YEARS OF LABOUR GOVT. A Silent Social Revolution

A talk on "Two Years of Labour Government" by Mr. Jack Singleton, lecturer to H.M. Forces, was broadcast over ZBW last night. He stressed that something much more personal must be attempted if what has been called the greatest experiment in a planned economy in a free society that the world has ever known is to succeed.

Mr. Singleton said in part:—
"The picture of Britain two years after peace broke out, as viewed against the darker background of a weary and exhausted Europe, of a world economy almost wholly dislocated. Not merely had Britain had to deal with the immense arrears of production piled up during six years of unremitting war effort, the vast coil of organisation for war has had to be unwound, manpower released, factories reconverted, and all in a period of world disorganisation and shortage."
"Furthermore, the stars in their courses fought against Attlee. Miserable weather played havoc with the 1948 harvest reducing cereal crops by at least one-fifth, while the winter that followed was the worst in living memory."

"It not only provoked a fuel crisis, reducing exports considerably, it killed 4,000,000 and 50,000 head of cattle, spoiled the winter wheat and the clamped potatoes. Nor has the summer unequalled for sunshine said to another in one of Osbert Lancaster's pocket cartoons. 'Yes, Florence, there's not just a drain on dollar, is there?' The revealing fact remains, however, that Labour has not lost sight of the election—any record for any Government—and by-elections are a barometer of public feeling. In spite of—because of—the past two years, then, most people in Britain still want to face the future with the Attlee brigade."

"In two years, fairly and without favour, the Government has demobilised 4½ million men and women demobilised, not immobilised, for most are in a job, earning good money or are continuing their education with an adequate grant from the Exchequer. Two years after World War I well over a million were out of a job."

"Today the number is below half a million, less than 2 per cent of the working population, the lowest figure since records were first kept fifty years ago. And these unemployed are not, as in the past, a mass of idlers, but a transitional living mainly in what we used to dub the 'special' or 'depressed' areas, now re-named development areas. Up to press in South Wales, Scotland and the N.E. Coast 200 factories have been built and 300 more are in the building."
"The 1931 crisis was one of unemployment and overproduction, the present crisis, by contrast, is one of full employment and underproduction."
"Yet overall production in 1946 was 15 per cent higher than pre-war and records are being made in ships, steel, cars, radios, bicycles and many other commodities. Even so we are not producing nearly enough."

Exports
"The war played havoc with our export trade and, in particular, our invisible exports fell considerably. That means we have to manufacture more goods for export than we had to in 1938 in order merely to maintain the same standard of living. Like Alice we have to keep on running to stay where we are. Coal and textiles lag sadly behind due largely to shortage of labour and out of date equipment. Agriculture too is short and must recruit new blood of both sexes."

"Unfortunately, peace usually brings depression. Agriculture is sacrificed on the altar of industry, the country's cousin becomes a poor relation. This time things are not shaping that way. The Government has passed several bills of vital importance to farmers from February's Artificial Insemination Bill to improve the breeding of livestock, including poultry and bees to August's Agricultural Bill, which is a new Farmers' Charter. "The nationalisation of coal received general approval and in spite of a certain amount of unrest, the miner is glad of it. In was lucky being 61st in the 90 scheduled industries. Today his pay packet bulges, he works a 5-day week, and incidentally digs more coal than he did in 6. Absenteeism is going down, and output per man shift going up."

"More machinery is on order, new pits are to be sunk, the striking can be reduced in its one and a half years since V.J. Day, only 3½ million days have been lost in all industries in the same period after the last war—the figure stood at 35½ million—if more men can be ductile to become miners by extra rationals and priority housing and better conditions, output should rapidly increase and the American coal-boats in Swansea harbour head for Europe."

"In spite of rationing as a ration we are now consuming only 2 per cent less than in 1938. Rationing and priorities for mother and children have made sure of fair shares for all. Though we are eating less meat, bacon and fat, slightly less sugar, eggs, and tea, we are getting more flour, fish, oatmeal, cocoa and dried fruit than pre-war. Potato consumption is nearly double and jam and liquid milk is up by a half."

National Health
"The National Health Service Act, designed positively to improve the health of every man, woman and child, as well as to prevent, diagnose and treat illness comes into operation next July."
"Social security 'from cradle to grave' follows in the wake of the National Insurance and Industrial Injuries Acts also becoming operative in July. The benefits include maternity grants, sickness and unemployment allowances, widows' pensions, death benefits and what have you. Increased old age pensions are already being paid, and retirement pensions, they are to be called as the ship of state requires all hands on deck to weather the economic storm, even the old hands."

Taxi Coupons

Held in abeyance for over three months, pending settlement of the threatened taxi-drivers' strike in August, the Blue Taxi Co. has finally decided to proceed with their project of issuing books of coupons for regular customers. Coupons to the total face value of \$55 are now obtainable at the special price of \$44 plus 60 cents for the book. There is no time limit to the use of the coupons, the "China Mail" was informed last night.

you. Increased old age pensions are already being paid, and retirement pensions, they are to be called as the ship of state requires all hands on deck to weather the economic storm, even the old hands."

"The silent social revolution will not be successful, all these acts will not be worth the paper they are printed on, unless the gap between exports and imports is bridged. We must export or die. So far, I think, the Government has failed to impress on the individual that the solution of the crisis lies literally in his own hands."

HONG KONG STUDENTS IN BRITAIN

Hong Kong readers may be interested in the recent activities of the following students who are at present studying in the United Kingdom:

Mr. Rayson L. Huang was a wartime graduate in Science of the Hong Kong University and left China in 1944 on a scholarship awarded by the Rhodes Trust Oxford (2nd 3rd year scholarships came from the British Council). He studied under Prof. Sir Robert Robinson, P.R.S. while at Oxford and finished his research work in spring this year, getting the degree of D. Phil in June. Since then he has been awarded a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Chicago, and is now doing further research work with Prof. M. S. Kharasch in Chicago. He left England early in August and enjoyed his stay at Oxford very much and looks forward to seeing England again in the not too distant future.

Dr. To Shiu Yuen, has obtained the Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene from the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, and has been registered in the General Medical Council and has been elected a member of the British Medical Association and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene. He is now taking up post-graduate studies in Medicine in Edinburgh.

Miss Hutchinson has completed her intermediate year towards the degree in Pure Science. During the long vacation she attended the International Festival of Music and Drama at Edinburgh.

Miss Frances Hon was successful in obtaining the National Froebel Foundation Certificate in July, and has visited, lectured and taught in twenty schools, both in and outside London in the past year. During the vacation she attended a series of lectures and discussions on educational problems sponsored by university professors and leading educationists.

Mr. Raymond Huang has been successful in his M. A. Qualifying Examination in English Literature in June and is now in his second year of his three year course.

Dr. C. T. Tang passed his Part I of the Diploma of Laryngology and Otology in June 1947, and has visited the eleven lakes of the Lake District besides other places of interest.

Mr. Ronald Arab has passed his intermediate examination and Hongkong to 78.

of the B. Com. course at the London University.
Mr. Wong Man Hung who is the President of the Edinburgh Chinese Students' Association represented his University at tennis, being in the second team.
Dr. Raymond Lee has passed Part I of the D.L.O. and holds an appointment at the Royal National E.N.T. Hospital as Surgical Registrar.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m. and 6.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band from 12.15 to 1.15, 7.10 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m. H.K.T.

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—Daily Features: Teach and The Radio Rhythm Club Song and Phil Rezan (Vocal).
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather, Report and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Sharp's Honolulu Hawaiians.
1.30 p.m.—"From the Shows" Reviews.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.30 p.m.—"Variety Request" Favourites.
6.40 p.m.—Studio: Piano Recital by Michael Hodder (by Courtesy of the Paragon Grill). Pictures at an Exhibition (Moussorgsky).
7.30 p.m.—Studio: "Game Test" Commentary on Football Match between Kowloon and Shanghai.
7.40 p.m.—Songs and Music of Foreign Lands.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World and Home News.
8.15 p.m.—H.K.T. Transcription Service: Fred Hartley's Quintet.
8.30 p.m.—H.K.T. Transcription Service: "This is London" No. 1. Bloomsbury.
9.00 p.m.—Studio: A Play—"Infatuation" by Muriel Levy. Produced by David Parkie. Presented by the Hong Kong State Club in conjunction with H.M.S. "Gumbie" Radio Unit.
9.30 p.m.—Columbia Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.11 p.m.—Relay of Tino Gochellen and His Ambassadors, Ballroom Orch.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Mr. Oswald Cheung is going to University College Oxford this October.

Specialists

London, Oct. 27.
Of 256 postgraduate students from 62 countries who will be studying in Britain under the British Council scholarship scheme during the present academic year 19 are from China and two from Hongkong. They will each undertake a year's specialist study either in one of Britain's universities or in a London hospital.

Included in the latest group from China are nine scholars with science degrees, three with medical degrees, five Bachelors of Art, one Master of Art and one Bachelor of Law. Five of these students are continuing their studies at Cambridge, the remainder at London and other provincial universities.

In addition to the 1947-48 British Council scholars there are 17 students from China and four from Hongkong who have been granted a year's extension of their 1946-47 scholarships. A further 31 Chinese students who came in 1945 have had their awards extended a second year. This brings the total of British Council scholars from China and Hongkong to 78.

"Season Tickets Are Not Transferable"

As her brother-in-law war away in Canton, So Yim-tsang, 21-year-old spinner, thought she would make use of his "Star" Ferry season ticket. She was caught by Ferry Inspector Rothwell as she was about to cross over to Kowloon by the 5.40 p.m. boat on Oct. 25. Charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday she was told by His Worship "Season tickets are not transferable," and fined \$20 on each of the two counts of evading payment of ferry fare, and using a season ticket not issued in her name. Sub-inspector W. Apps prosecuted.

Art Display

The Chinese artist Wong Sulung displayed 40 oil and water colours on an exhibition preview held last night in the Jacobson Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

Recently returned from nine years of study in America, he will present his pictures at the St. Francis Hotel on Oct. 28th, 29th and 30th.

The oils, as such, did not convey a great impression and were comparatively uninspired colour photographs of their subject. The "watercolours" consisting mostly of Hong Kong scenes, were good in proportion, colour, and sense of perspective, but lacked vision, individual flair, vivid imagination and that easy nonchalance so essential to this technique.

From the construction of the pictures shown, it is evident that the artist is not mature enough to allow his imagination to deviate from conventional reproductions. It remains to be seen whether his personality in course of time will be gripped by the artist's native painting or whether he will allow himself to be guided for the rest of his career by merely average European standards.

Hamburg, Oct. 26.
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DEATH

SHI.—On Monday, October 20, 1947 at her residence, 1202/69, Avenue Joffre, Shanghai, Mrs. Shi Sen Yung, aged 73 years, dearly beloved mother of Grover, Suzel, Lilian and the late Richard.

THE CALLING OF CONGRESS

Anxious Europe, and particularly Italy and France, beset by the problems associated with a steadily mounting economic crisis, will derive immense relief from the action of President Truman in summoning Congress to meet in Washington on November 17. No prediction as to the outcome would be safe, but the decision which represents a complete change of mind on the President's part, indicates that his closest advisers have a full appreciation, which has sometimes seemed lacking in America, of the terrible urgency of the European problem. Alarming inflationary tendencies in the United States, with the usual accompaniment of rapidly rising prices, contributed importantly, no doubt, but bigger factors it may be guessed, were overseas developments, including the formation of the Cominform with the open intention of defeating the Marshall Plan. Concerned, too, are the attitudes of the numerous members of Congress who have been visiting Europe to study the situation for themselves. Though it is reported that different conclusions, there is, in reality, only one conclusion to be drawn. It is as stated in the Report of the 16 nations who took part in the Paris Conference, that Europe unaided cannot get on her feet again and may, indeed, collapse altogether without external aid. Though the French Foreign Minister, M. Bidault, in his appeal to America, bluntly used the argument that delay in action would be to play into the hands of the Communists, the case for urgent American action rests, and should rest, upon the economic rather than the political dangers. The latter, plainly, exist. Italy's plight is such that unless 'interim aid' is given promptly, collapse under Communist pressure can scarcely be avoided. And if Italy goes under to Togliatti, a France under Thorez would not be long delayed. Moreover, every day of postponement gives support to insistent and insidious Moscow propaganda, alleging that help from the United States will be forthcoming only if, at all, for political reasons. In fact, the economic crisis is so real and acute, that Europe's needs transcend politics. Whether the Communist drive succeeds in rolling up Europe and drawing the whole of the western area into the Soviet fold or not is of immense importance, but not more important today than the fate of millions should Europe fail to get through the winter crisis. Failing aid, appalling misery will sweep the Continent, and shortly afterwards, unemployment will swamp the United States economy. No responsible person has ever challenged the thesis that if Europe wants help she must help herself as much as an outright effort can achieve. But, one suggestion, by a Congressman recently returned from Europe, that the 16 Nations should start from scratch again and draw up a new report, would be as futile as it is impracticable. Such a demand would evoke no more than a completely dispirited response and would certainly wreck all hopes of timely aid from the Marshall Plan. It has already been made clear in the lucid speech of Sir Stafford Cripps in the House of Commons that Britain, among other European nations, will make the effort towards self-support even to the extent of internal hurt. Greater efforts as well as greater cuts and a grimmer standard of austerity. But, it would be perilous were America to delay reinforcement until Europe has exhausted her remaining resources. The President Truman's experts have submitted a report showing that

Ordinary Men and Women Are Taking The Crisis In Britain Calmly, Says JACK SMITH But The Government Is Digging In For

A WINTER OF HARDSHIP

Britain's Labour Government is digging in for a winter of hardship.

It is determined to keep the national economy alive with stop-gap measures until the hoped-for fulfilment of the Marshall plan.

"If I could see a definite possibility in sight of the Marshall plan by next June," said Economic Minister Sir Stafford Cripps, then stop-gap aids "probably would see us through."

Sir Stafford Cripps added that until June, Britain's economy must be based on emergency expedients. These include sales from gold reserves, acquisition of dollars from the international monetary fund in exchange for sterling, possibly a loan from the International Bank for "productive" enterprises, and the hoped-for release of the frozen \$4,000,000,000 balance of the \$3,750,000,000 American loan.

Government and industrial leaders say that without a Mar-

shall plan England will face a "gradual economic strangulation," and that this will spread to Europe. Industry will be brought to a stop. Unemployment will become more widespread and privation greater than ever.

Will Be Hard

British leaders agree that the winter will be hard. They say that increased production for export is absolutely essential. It is needed to accumulate the dollars necessary to buy food and materials for industry.

British industry is handicapped by worn machinery, lessened incentives for workers, tightening markets and occasional, but grievous, industrial bottlenecks.

Mr. Attlee's extensive new Government shakeup, Conservatives and Labourites agree, was designed entirely to strengthen the administration for the difficult days ahead. The Prime Minister dismissed or shifted 30 senior and junior Ministers.

He demoted Emanuel Shinwell, the Chairman of the Party's Executive, from his position as Fuel Minister. In the process, Mr. Attlee brought in a collection of young, vigorous Labourites, whom he deemed "practical" men likely to get the fullest cooperation from industry.

Comments from Conservatives, as well as Socialists, indicate that in a measure at least Mr. Attlee has achieved his aim.

Socialism At Stake

British Socialism is in stake in the critical days ahead. An economic collapse could have wide political consequences. Leading Labour officials say that a Government collapse or an extraordinary general election in the near future—for which Mr. Winston Churchill has already called—is possible only if the winter brings wholesale unemployment and suffering. Some Conservative leaders say that a collapse of the Government or new election is "probable." Others have advised the Conservative Party to be ready for a new election campaign at any time, possibly within six months. The Conservative reasoning is that the Government must sacrifice many of its Socialist goals to meet the crisis and thus antagonise the Left Wing of the Labour Party and create a split.

The Government has in mind the postponement of nationalisation of the steel industry and a retrenchment of its housing programme. It questions whether the Left would risk the wiping out of a Labour Government to protest against such retrenchments.

General Election

Normally the Government would serve out its full term, ending in 1950. But, the Prime Minister may call a general election to seek a new mandate before then. Or, the Government may resign, if defeated in the House of Commons on a major bill.

There are 640 members in the Commons, 394 of them Labourites. The hard core of the Left Wing of the Party numbers about 40. The Opposition totals 246, of whom 191 are Conservatives.

The ordinary men and women of Britain are taking the present economic situation calmly. Newspapers complain that the masses of the people do not understand the difficulties of their position and, in fact, doubt that a crisis exists.

There have been cuts in food, clothing, tobacco, movies, gasoline and countless items of consumer goods, and more cuts are coming. But the wage earners still have their jobs. Meat and tinned goods have been scarce, but fruit and fresh vegetables have been abundant, though expensive. Now the season is near when fresh fruit becomes a rarity. A pineapple often costs £5. Vegetable stocks will consist of potatoes, cabbage, brussels sprouts and little else. Cold weather is at hand and the Government has warned that there will be insufficient coal for all homes to be well heated. Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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NICE PLAYS AUTOMATIC

Some of the nicest plays ever made are those that develop more or less automatically out of the elements of a situation which simply happens to exist. Instead of being built up deliberately by the designer, they result from his careful efforts to protect himself against various risks, combined with his alertness to seize upon the circumstances that crop up and make the most of them. Among such plays are some produced by the vagaries of the deal which would never be thought up by a man deliberately fabricating a tricky hand.

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H32
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(Dealer: West. North-South, vulnerable).

West North East South

Pass 1C Pass 1D

1H 1S Pass 1NT

South's last bid was based on several factors. First, he avoided supporting "spade" because the secondary suit by North made the

suit solid. Secondly, he considered

opening bid himself. He reasoned that North either had something in diamonds to help protect that suit or else enough elsewhere to make the game try sound in No Trumps. He held up on the heart K lead, then won the J with his A, having guessed nine tricks as in the bag if the spade finesse worked. He went to dummy with the diamond A and lost the spade Q to the K. The ninth trick would now build up for him if West led a third heart, but that defender could also read this fact, so sent back the diamond J to the K. The spade A and J, club A, and 6 were then scored, the last of these giving East a nasty problem.

If East, now holding two clubs and two diamonds, discarded the club J, he would have to give declarer the game trick in diamonds after it was thrown in. If he tossed a diamond he could be thrown in with the game trick in clubs. This pretty finish was built up rather accidentally, but South had to be sharp to take advantage of it.

Of course, Spoth had a simpler play available earlier, with his diamond 10-8 located over the Q-9. But why spoil a good story by bringing that up?

What is the greatest fundamental difference between the defensive play of the finest craftsmen and that of the average players?

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Well, yes, it does have a sort of message connected with it—if it doesn't sell, I won't be able to pay the rent!"

Britain's Stiff Economic Task

Piece by piece the complex pattern of Britain's stiff economic task is being mapped out, until now it is a fairly complete picture. A few weeks ago the export targets needed to bridge the gap on the overseas payments account were announced. This has been followed by an up-to-date overseas trade "budget" for the coming year. Soon a special interim fiscal budget will give details of the domestic financial measures which Britain will take to curb inflation and hasten the new export drive. Here, however, we are concerned with the overseas trade budget, framed by Sir Stafford Cripps, Britain's Minister for Economic

in the same or worse dollar difficulties than Britain. We are therefore thrown back to the first alternative. The only other way is for the U.S.A. to find the means of making dollars freely available for settling trade balances. In the absence of the "Marshall" or any other dollar aid, Britain is striving to settle this problem herself by aiming for an even greater export target than that needed just to square her overall overseas accounts. This will, of course, take time and other means must be used to pay deficiencies until it is reached. That is why the recently negotiated gold loan of \$80,000,000 from South Africa is so welcome.

Time of Flux

In this time of flux it is difficult to assess the future extent of Britain's deficiencies with dollar and other hard currency areas. Some idea of the size of the problem is however obtained from a breakdown of overseas trade figures for the first seven months of this year. To the end of July total imports were £1,000,000,000 and exports £605,000,000 leaving a deficit of £395,000,000. Imports from hard currency areas were however £470,000,000 compared with exports of only £143,000,000—a deficit of £333,000,000. Imports and exports of soft currency areas virtually balanced. On this basis all of Britain's extra exports should therefore go to the Americans, but that is hardly feasible under present conditions. British imports from the United States are now five times as much as her exports to the U.S.A. as against four times in pre-war years; the ratio for Canada has risen from three and one half to six times and for Argentina from twice to four times.

MARXIST HISTORY IS "OUT"

For the third straight year no history courses are being taught in the schools of quadripartite-occupied Berlin, because the Western Allies and the Russians are in an ideological deadlock over what the courses should contain.

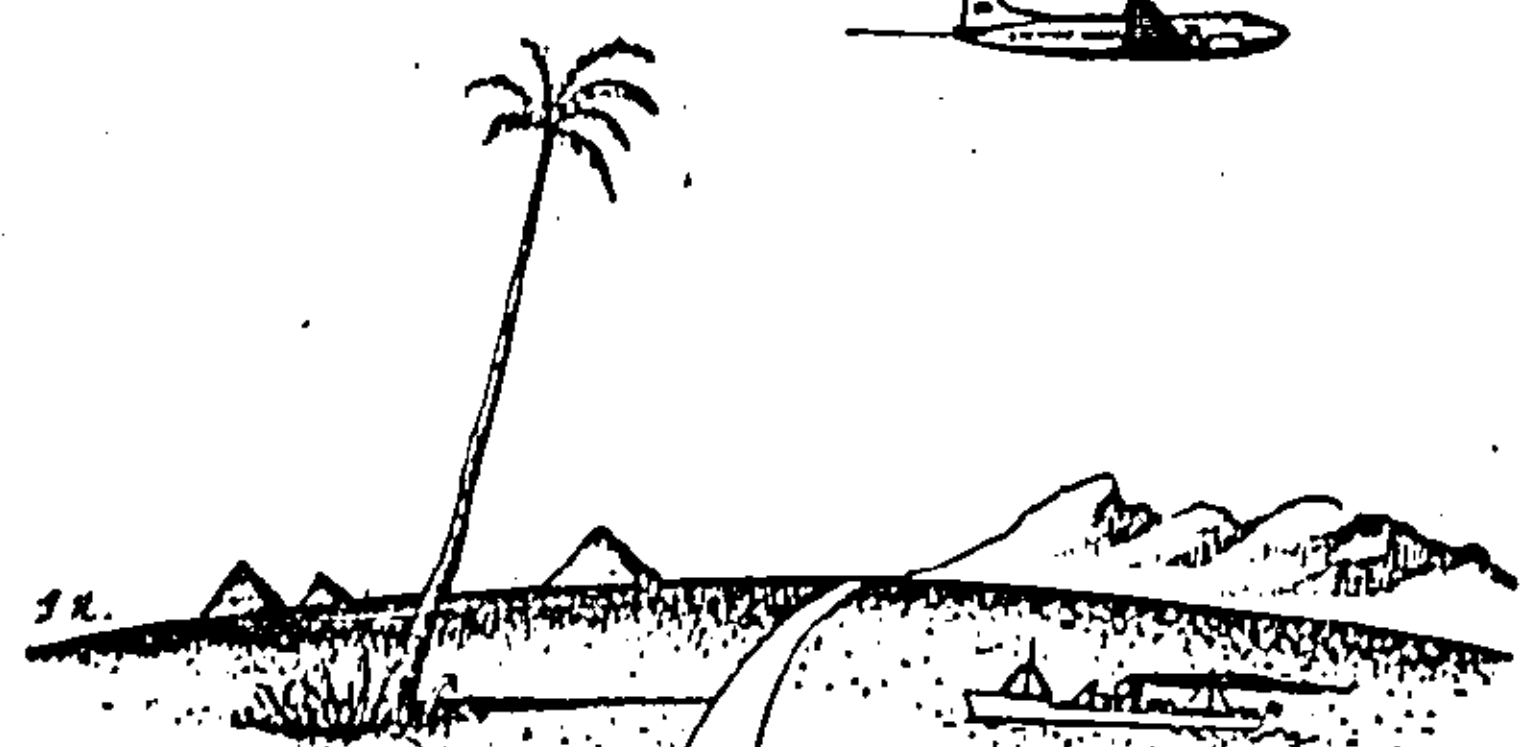
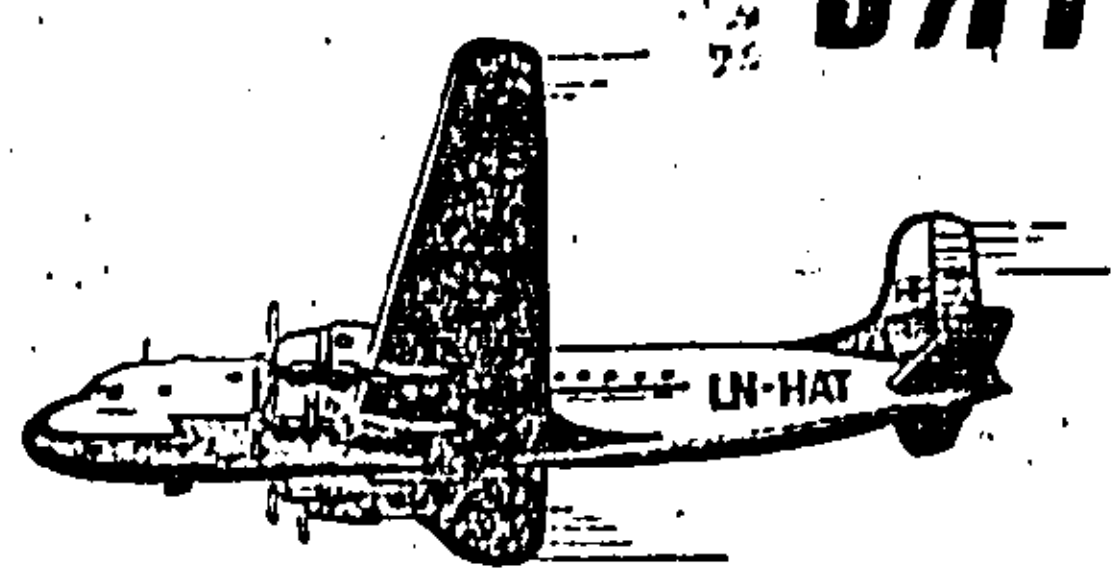
"The Russians want to teach a definitely Marxist version of history and we cannot and will not agree to that," said Paul F. Shafer, Chief of the Educational Branch of the American military Government for Berlin.

Shafer said that a four-member Education Committee of which he is a member worked for a long time to draft a set of guiding principles for Berlin's German Ministry of Education. Then the German government was told to present a course which would meet these principles.

"What they came up with was unacceptable to the Americans and the other Western powers," he said. "So we told them to go back and try again. While the new attempt was being made, the Socialist Head of Education, Herr Neppke, was fired from office because the Russians objected to him. That set back the whole project and now Heaven only knows when it will be finished. At any rate there was no agreement by the time the new school year began on September 1st."

Shafer said that Americans, British and French could not agree to the version of history which is taught to German students in the Russian-occupied zone. He described this as "unadmitted Marxism." Associated Press.

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Tearing At Wreckage With Bare Hands Casualties Rise: 23 Dead

Berwick-on-Tweed, Oct. 26.

Only remarkable rescue work by survivors in the rear four coaches and by golfers, who abandoned matches and raced to the scene, prevented even greater fatalities in today's derailment of an L.N.E.R. express.

Tearing at the splintered wreckage with their bare hands, passengers and golfers succeeded in freeing many perilously trapped travellers and in giving first aid.

Casualties in the derailment of the train from the Flying Scotsman, as previously reported, but the Sunday replacement for the famous express, which only runs on week-days, rose to 23 dead and up to 70 injured.

Three railway coaches filled with injured were despatched from Goswick—scene of the crash, six miles from here—to hospitals in the district. Others were treated in private homes and in emergency wards set up on Goswick golf course, alongside which the accident occurred.

Emergency calls for all vehicles brought ambulances, Army vehicles and trucks, and cars crowding to the wreck, and villagers opened their homes for the injured.

Driver Injured

Several doctors who were aboard the train led the rescue workers, using torn-up clothing as bandages and pieces of wreckage as splints for broken arms and legs.

At Berwick Infirmary, where many injured were taken, doctors and nurses were so busy that when a reporter put in a phone call he was answered by one of the crash victims who said that the hospital was fully occupied in coping with emergency cases.

Troops from neighbouring barracks joined with ambulance workers and firemen in extricating injured by the light of flares lit in the night. The engine driver was among the injured.

The train left the line just after passing through Goswick Station. The engine ploughed half its length into the ground at the side of the embankment. Three of the coaches were literally splintered, while others overturned.

Passengers crowding the dining-car had an almost miraculous escape—it entangled 100 yards along the en-

bankment upright and then turned over so gently that only slight injuries were caused.—United Press and Reuter.

Afridi Tribesmen Launch Raid On Kashmir

New Delhi, Oct. 26.

An Indian Government official said today that 2,000 or more Pathans from Pakistan's rugged northwest frontier province have invaded sections of the princely state of Kashmir and looted, raped and killed.

V. P. Menon, India's Secretary of State, returned by plane from the Kashmir capital of Srinagar with the report. He said the Moslem invaders had laid waste to the mountain border town of Muzaffarabad, 80 miles west of Srinagar, and were striking against Hindu and Sikh families. A Northwest Frontier official said the Pathans had also crossed into Gilgit, which lies a short distance from the Soviet border, and engaged in similar tactics.

Other published reports here said troops of the Dominion of India had clashed with the forces of Moslem-ruled Junagadh state, in the Kachhar peninsula. Six Junagadh soldiers were killed. Menon said the invaders of Kashmir, well armed with automatic weapons, came from the vicinity of the Khyber Pass.

Kashmir's Deputy Premier, R. L. Batra, said on Saturday the invaders included Afridi tribesmen, Pakistan soldiers on leave "and desperadoes" in nearly 100 trucks. Other informants declare Kashmir's army of 10,000 is engaging the invaders and is expected to drive them back.

Unconfirmed reports said the invaders are battling Kashmir state forces within 35 to 40 miles of Srinagar. An authoritative New Delhi source predicts India will dispatch aid to help repel the Pathans. Kashmir, whose beautiful mountains and mirror like lakes have made it an Asian playground for centuries, is ruled by the Hindu Maharajah Sir Hari Singh, although most of its 4,000,000 population are Moslems. It has acceded neither to India, or Pakistan, whose emergence as new Dominions in the British Empire has been plagued by costly Moslem-Hindu warfare.

Six Killed

Batra said Muzaffarabad was burned the night of Oct. 22 with the apparent aid of local citizens. On Oct. 21 the Pakistan government issued a communique saying Kashmir state troops had attacked and killed six Moslem refugees on the Pakistan-Kashmir border near the Punjab town of Sialkot.

Batra was quoted by the "Delhi Statesman" as saying that the town of Uri, halfway between Muzaffarabad and

GETTING OLD AT 37

New York, Oct. 27. Hector McNeill, Britain's United Nations delegate—aged 37—is getting old, he said in New York. "I am getting old too fast," he told the New York Post. "I am getting all out of condition. I am not playing games. That is why I am getting too fat." He was summing up for the newspaper's benefit his aims and interests in life.—Associated Press.

Hollywood Stars Want Showdown

Washington, Oct. 27.

A group of Hollywood notables, led by Humphrey Bogart, headed for Capitol Hill today with the avowed aim of trying to abolish the committee investigating Communism in Hollywood.

The star-studded party arrived by chartered plane late on Sunday night and held a midnight news conference. Director John Huston emphasized that members had no intention of creating a scene before the House Un-American Activities Committee, which is starting the second week of its Red-in-Hollywood hearings. They intend (Huston said) to talk to individual members of Congress in an effort to "correct the abuses," they claim, have been inherent in the Committee's investigation. None of the group is among the two-score movie figures subpoenaed for the hearings, but members said they would be available as witnesses if the committee chose to call them. Otherwise they plan to attend as spectators, Huston said.—Associated Press.

UNLAWFUL BOARDING

The penalty for unlawful boarding was reduced to \$100 fine or one month by Marine Magistrate Neil Garland yesterday when seven offenders faced him on a charge of being on board the ss. "Sangala" on Sunday without permission.

The men pleaded they were licensed hawkers and went on board the ship to seek the Chief Officer's permission to hawk their wares.

Nothing Novel To Be Expected In Wedding Gown

London, Oct. 27.

It was all but official today that Princess Elizabeth, easily the bride of the year, will offer cold comfort to fashion faddists now concentrating on the disputed low hemline.

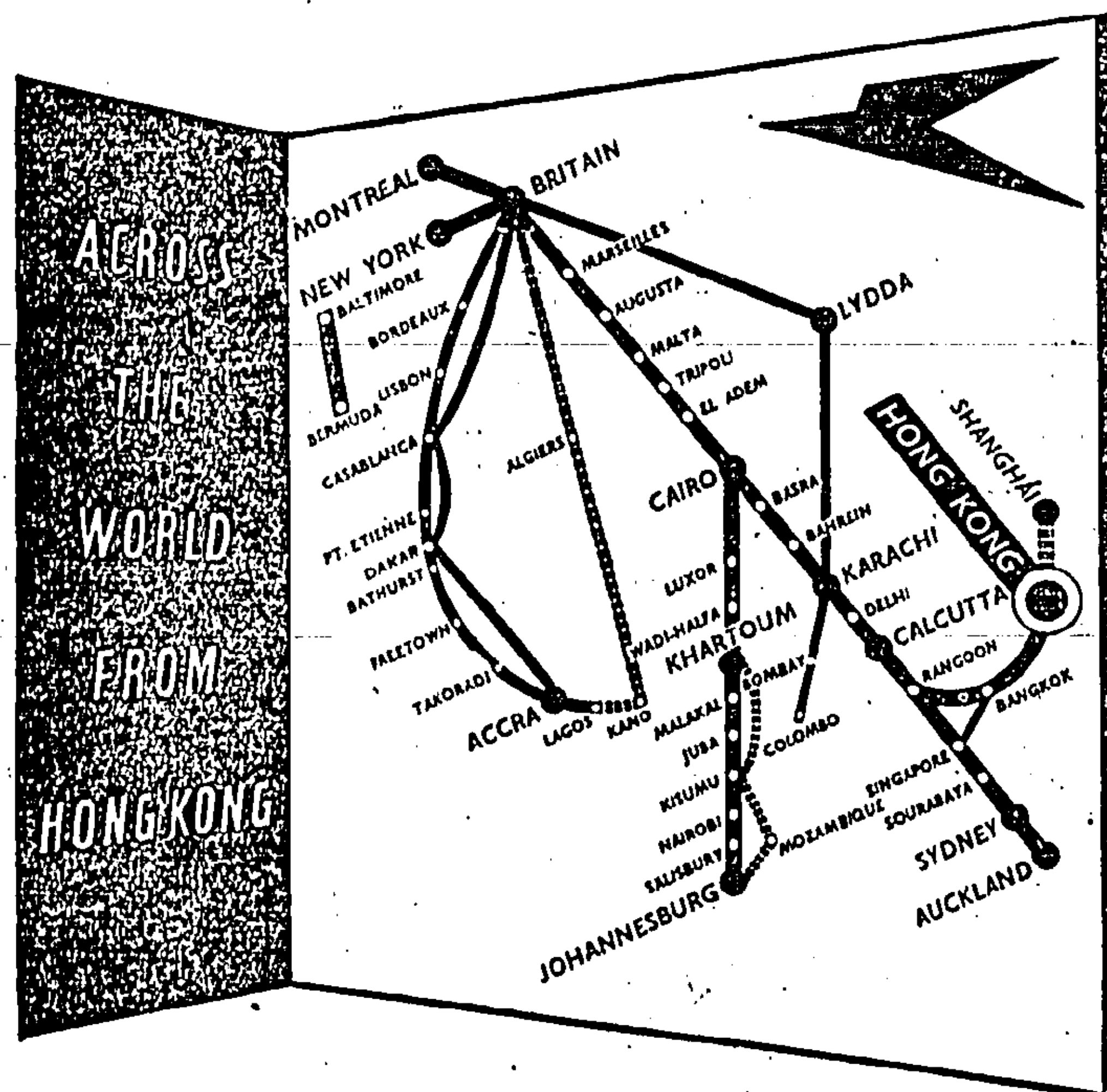
Persons close enough to the Royal family to know what the women in it are thinking, agreed that a compromise is the limit of novelty "which anyone might reasonably expect."

Conservative taste, custom and patriotic feelings are all against Elizabeth's adoption of a greater length, these sources asserted adding, "There has been a lot of loose talk about the matter, largely no doubt, because of wishful thinking on the part of certain dress designers who fully appreciate that what Princess Elizabeth wears will set the style in Britain—and quite a few other places—for some time to come."

If the Princess should wear the long skirt it is pointed out, hordes of women would resolve to follow her lead at any cost of money or coupons.

When Sir Stafford Cripps, Minister for Economic Affairs, said recently, "The shorter the skirt the better," he made it quite plain how official opinion regarded the long hemline.

Meanwhile, it is rumoured chiefly from New York that millions of dollars are hanging on the hush-hush of Elizabeth's "going away" skirt. Londoners are hearing that fortunes have been invested in American designs which presumably will follow the length set by the Princess.—Associated Press.



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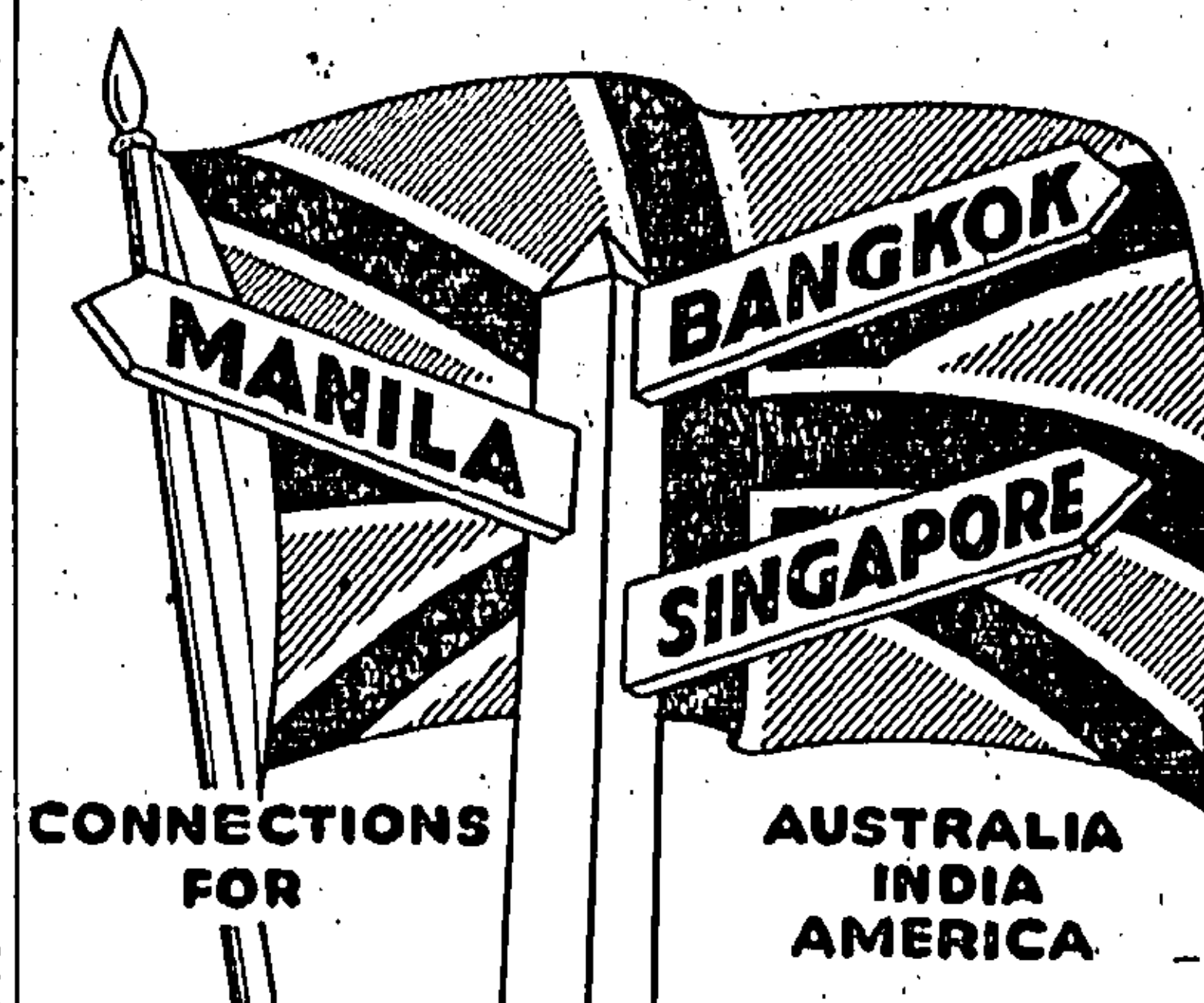
Washington, Oct. 27. Controls over exports to Japan, Korea Germany and former Japanese mandated islands will be relaxed on Nov. 1.

To permit increased private trading with occupied areas, authorities said, no export licenses will be required except for shortage goods such as steel and petroleum products, which can not be shipped to any foreign country without license.

Imports permits must be obtained from the occupying authorities, since the inflow will continue to be restricted by type and volume.—Associated Press.

Sofia, Oct. 26.

Mr. Donald Heath, new United States Minister to Bulgaria and former political adviser to the United States Military Government in Germany, Ar-



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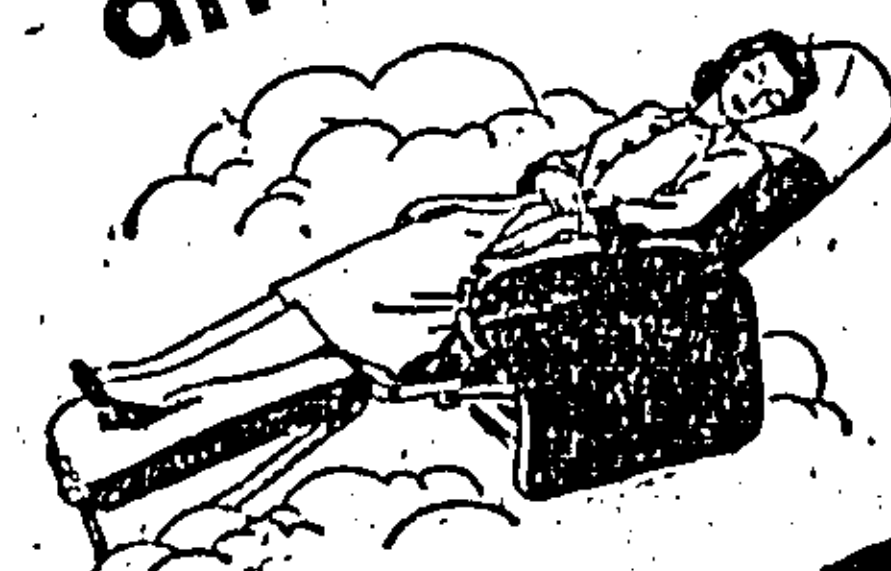
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WEINSTEIN, OCT. 29
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 9 a.m.
(Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
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For driving private car No. 397 in Des Voeux Road Central at about 5.05 p.m. on Sunday without a licence, Lee Jin Hang was fined \$200 by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday. Defendant said he had a learner's licence, but enquiries proved the contrary.

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Bribery and corruption, so prevalent in the Colony, were commented upon by the President of the Board of Directors of the European Y.M.C.A. at the Annual Meeting held in the West Lounge yesterday. Mr. P. S. Cassidy, President, was supported by Mr. A. W. Ingram (Secretary) and Professor R. Robertson.

A sum of \$95,000 was spent by the Association for internal and external renovation. \$10,000 on the tennis ground and an additional of \$3,000 on the stage, reported the President.

Representatives of the three lighting services, said Mr. Cassidy, are now serving on the Board of Directors.

Proceeding, Mr. Cassidy said:—
"A common complaint among residents, as well as many others in the Colony, is that there is nothing to do after office hours except to go to the pictures. In a place where there is such a wide variety of interests to choose from and where there is so much demand for willing workers it seems to me ironic that some people have time to kill."

Film Society

"But if there are any members whose only interest is the cinema, I suggest that they might start a Film Society. The Y.M.C.A. can provide the hall, there is plenty of equipment available in the Colony and there is an ample supply of films in the hands of the Civil and the Services authorities as well as of the Director of Education."

"These films, I might add, are not all educational films but also include some very fine documentary films showing life in England at present. A little enterprise on the part of a few members might provide a much needed boon for there must be many people here who find the ordinary run of films pretty nauseating and would like an opportunity of seeing documentary films which get on public showing here."

"The nation is suffering not only from inadequate food and supplies but also from a moral blight which, to the embarrassment of all right thinking people, has produced a shirking of duty in all classes and an anathematic attitude towards the maintenance of a decent standard of conduct."

"Here in Hong Kong we are comparatively well off as regards living conditions, apart from housing difficulties, and we have no excuse for any falling away from what we know to be right."

"There are, however, many temptations to be resisted and there is no blinking the fact that there is a great deal of bribery and corruption around us. The Police Courts have revealed some dreadful examples and there are probably many more cases which will never come to light."

"I do appeal to members to help

combat this evil. It ought to be tackled as vigorously as any physical disease and I suggest that if any of you have first-hand information of any irregularity you should not look the other way."

"I know, of course, that it is at times almost impossible to secure evidence but if you have good grounds for suspecting the worst, you should get in touch with the Police authorities."

"It may be that the advice of someone with longer experience of Hong Kong could prevent a new-comer from becoming involved in doubtful practices and so far as I am concerned, I should feel it my bounden duty to give all the help I could to any one whose conscience is troubling him."

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. A. J. Collins Taylor and Professor R. Robertson were unanimously re-elected to the Board of Directors. The following were also elected: Messrs. L. Starbuck (Vice-President), G. Travers (Hon. Treasurer), J. A. Blackwood, P. C. Clemo, N. O. C. Marsh, J. Moodie, C. G. W. Eden, Cmdr. L. Gowlan, R.N., and Group-Capt. E. A. Jones, R.A.F.

It was unanimously decided to compile a Roll of Honour of all those members who fell during the War.

A proposal by Mr. C. Hodge, seconded by Mr. Skinner, that there should be a comprehensive subscription instead of separate subscriptions for each section of the "Y" was promised consideration.

Money Market

Gold yesterday maintained the level it attained on Saturday. Opening at \$336 a tael, it closed at \$336.75, after fluctuating in the interval between \$333.25 and \$339.50.

Piastres continued their steady climb and reached \$11.27½ after opening at \$10.90 a 100. Highest and lowest rates of the day were \$11.35 and \$10.85 respectively. Chinese National Currency took an about turn and climbed back to 65 cents for futures and 71 cents for spot (for C.N.S.10,000).

U.S. dollars also improved with buyers at \$5.30. Sterling was weaker at \$13.10, and Australian pounds dropped one cent to \$12.51.

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